

## Supporting information

### Block Copolymers of Macro/Small Lactones by a “Catalyst-Switch” Organocatalytic Strategy. Thermal Properties and Phase Behaviour

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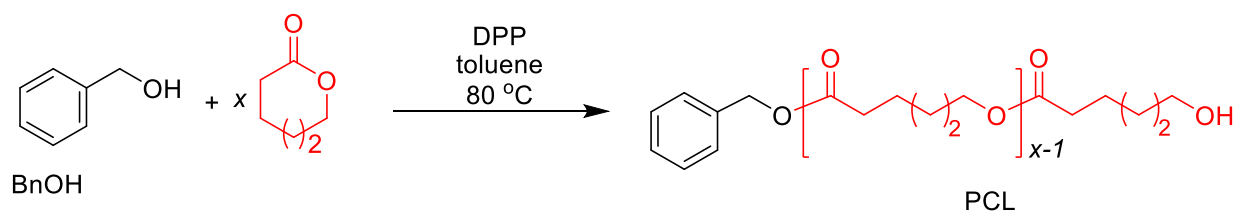
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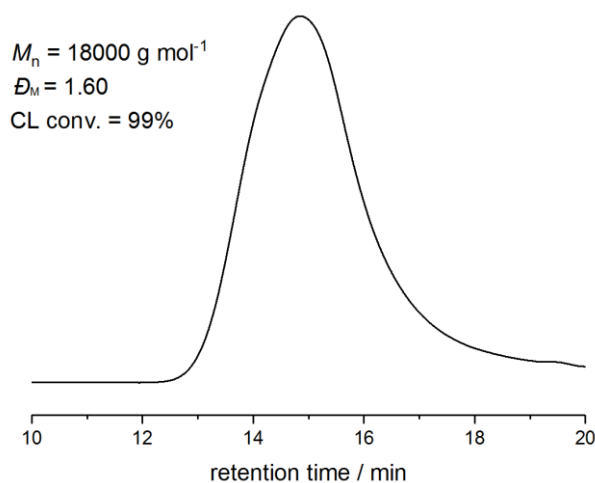
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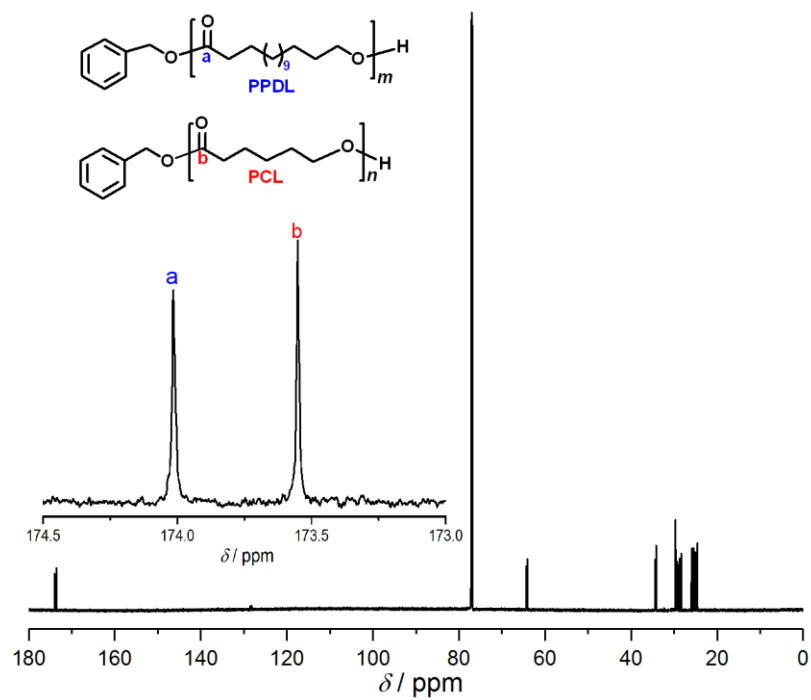
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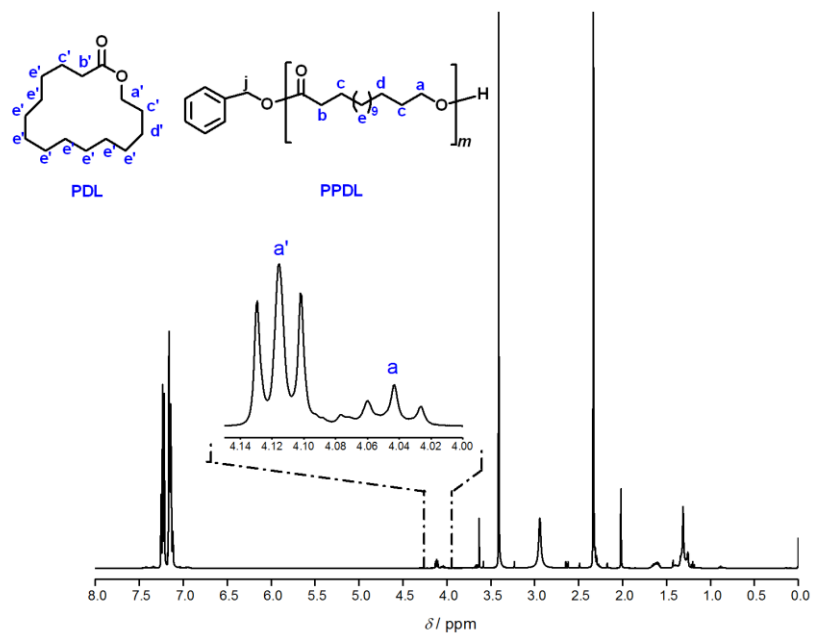
**Scheme S1.** ROP of CL catalyzed by DPP ( $[\text{CL}]_0 = 1 \text{ M}$ ,  $[\text{OH}]_0:[\text{DPP}]_0 = 1:2$ ,  $80 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$ ).



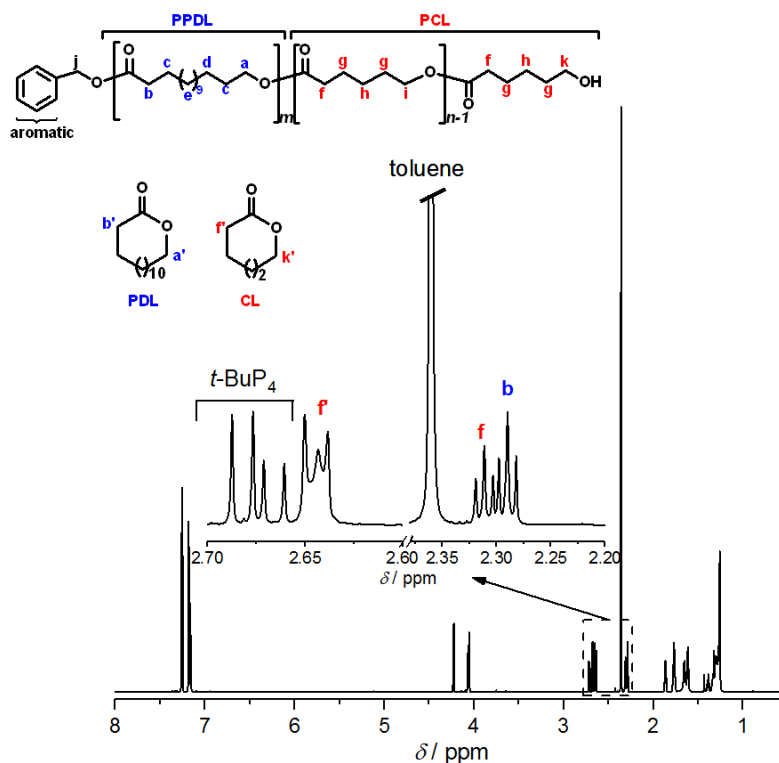
**Figure S1.** GPC trace of PCL prepared by ROP with DPP as catalyst (THF,  $35 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$ , PS standards).



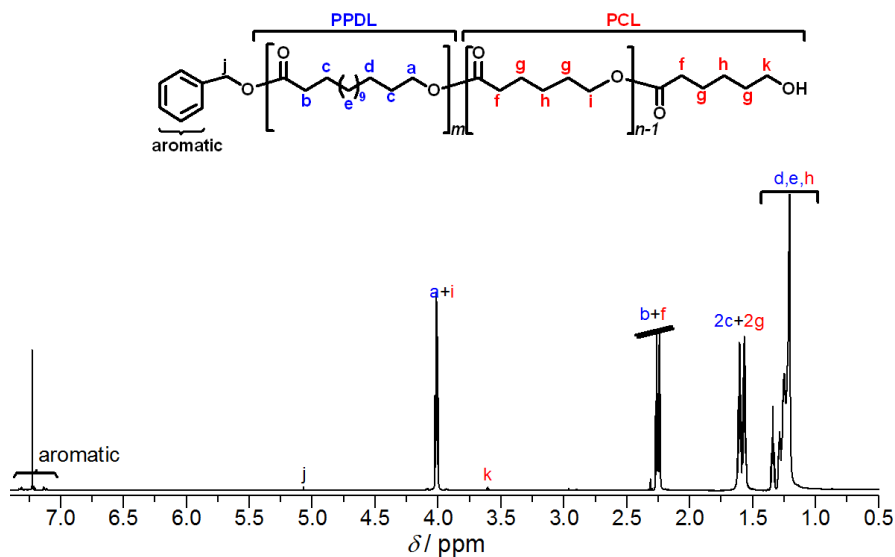
**Figure S2.** 239 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of PPDL:PCL mixture in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at room temperature (rt).



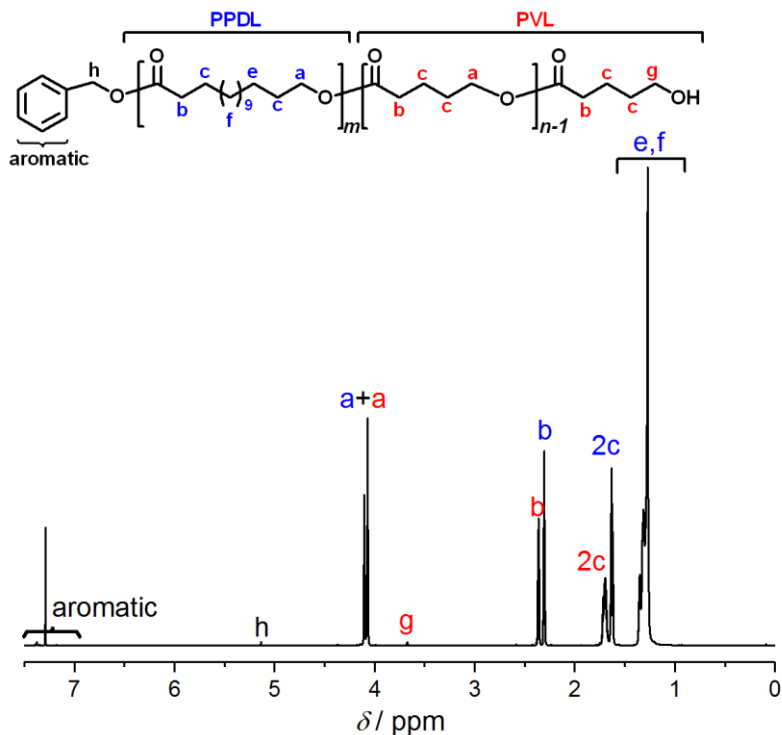
**Figure S3.** Determination of PDL conversion to PPDL from  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of reaction mixture after 10 min by 500 MHz spectrometer ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt).



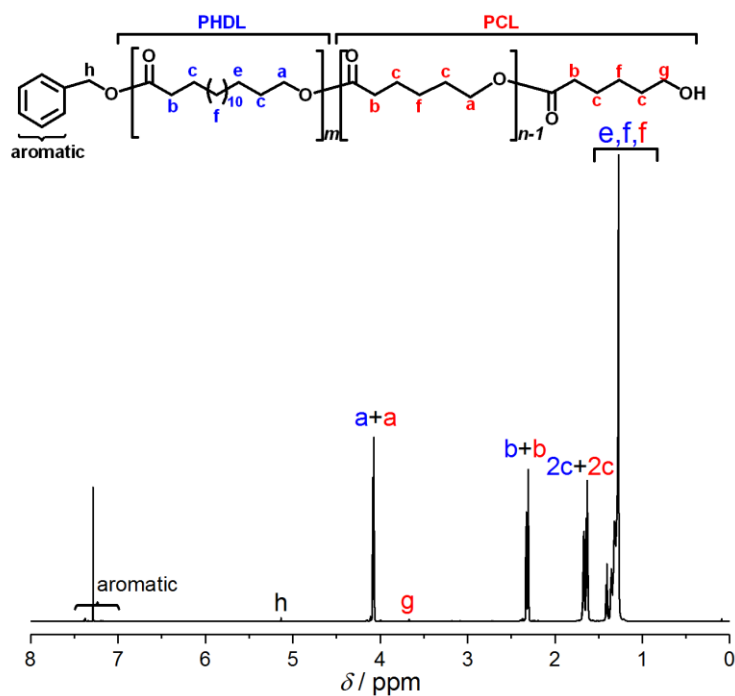
**Figure S4.** Determination of PCL conversion during the catalyst-switch synthesis of PPDL-*b*-PCL from  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of reaction mixture after 6 h by 950 MHz ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt).



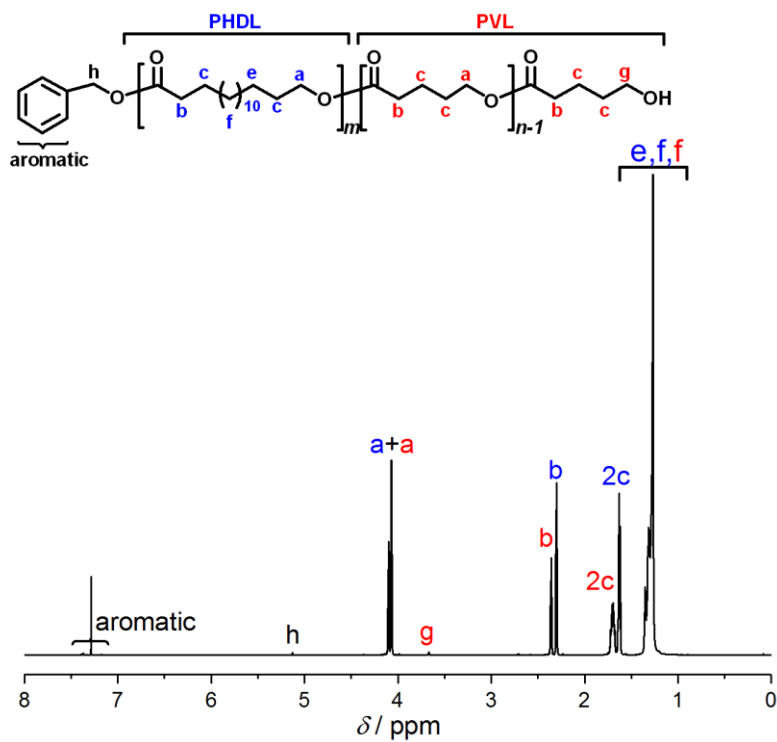
**Figure S5.** 950 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PPDL-*b*-PCL (entry 1, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt).



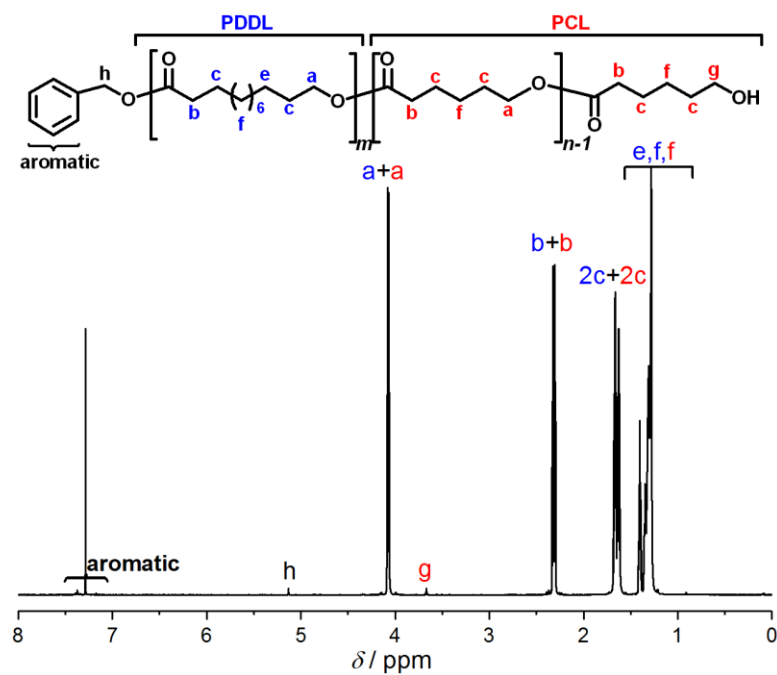
**Figure S6.** 950 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PPDL-*b*-PVL (entry 2, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt).



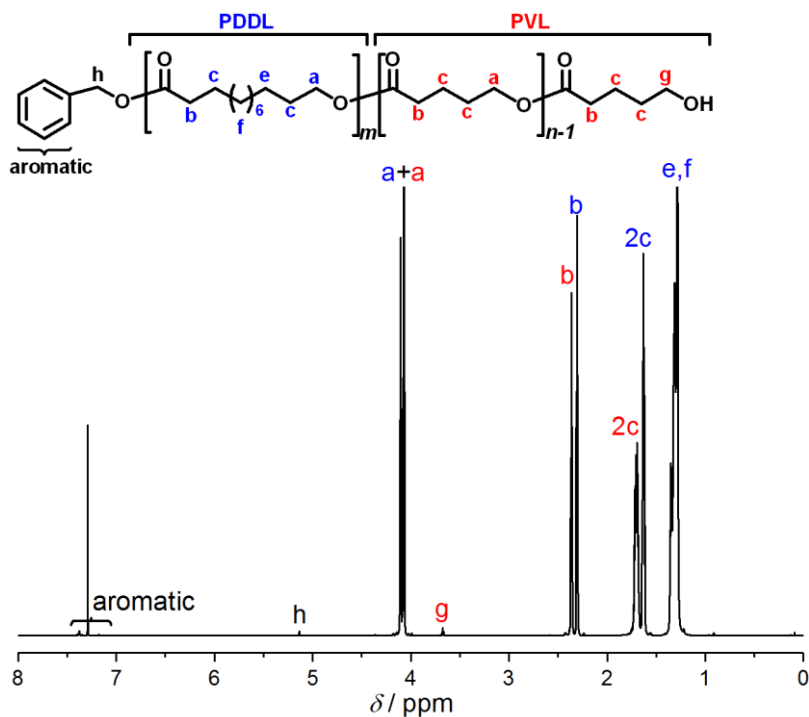
**Figure S7.** 950 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PHDL-*b*-PCL (entry 3, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt).



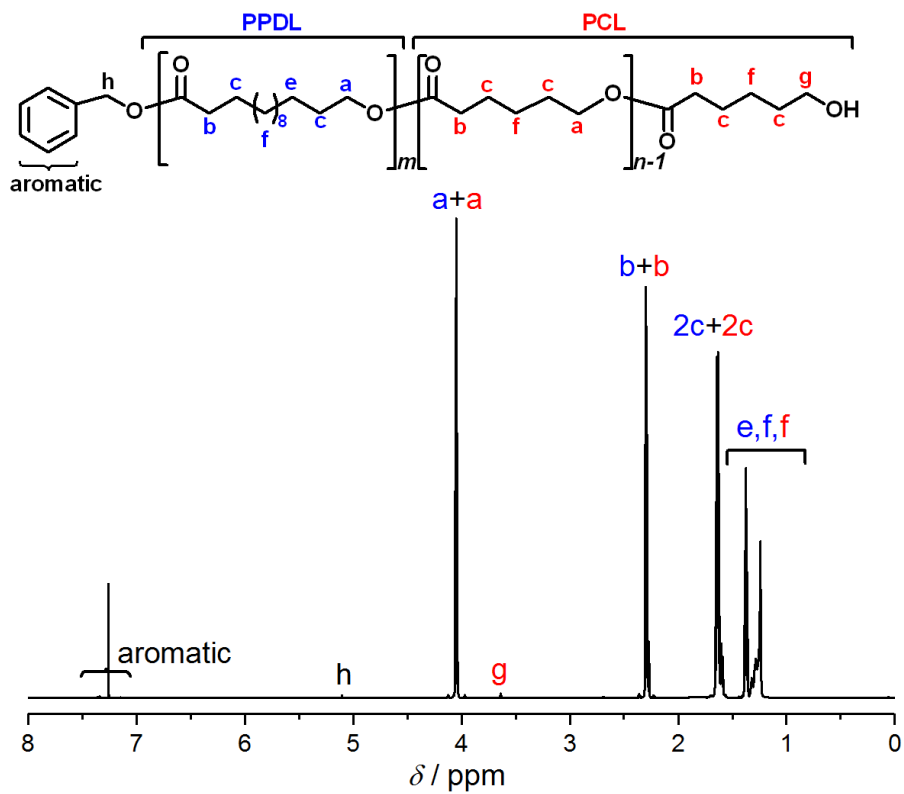
**Figure S8.** 950 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PHDL-*b*-PVL (entry 4, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt).



**Figure S9.** 950 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PDDL-*b*-PCL (entry 5, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt).

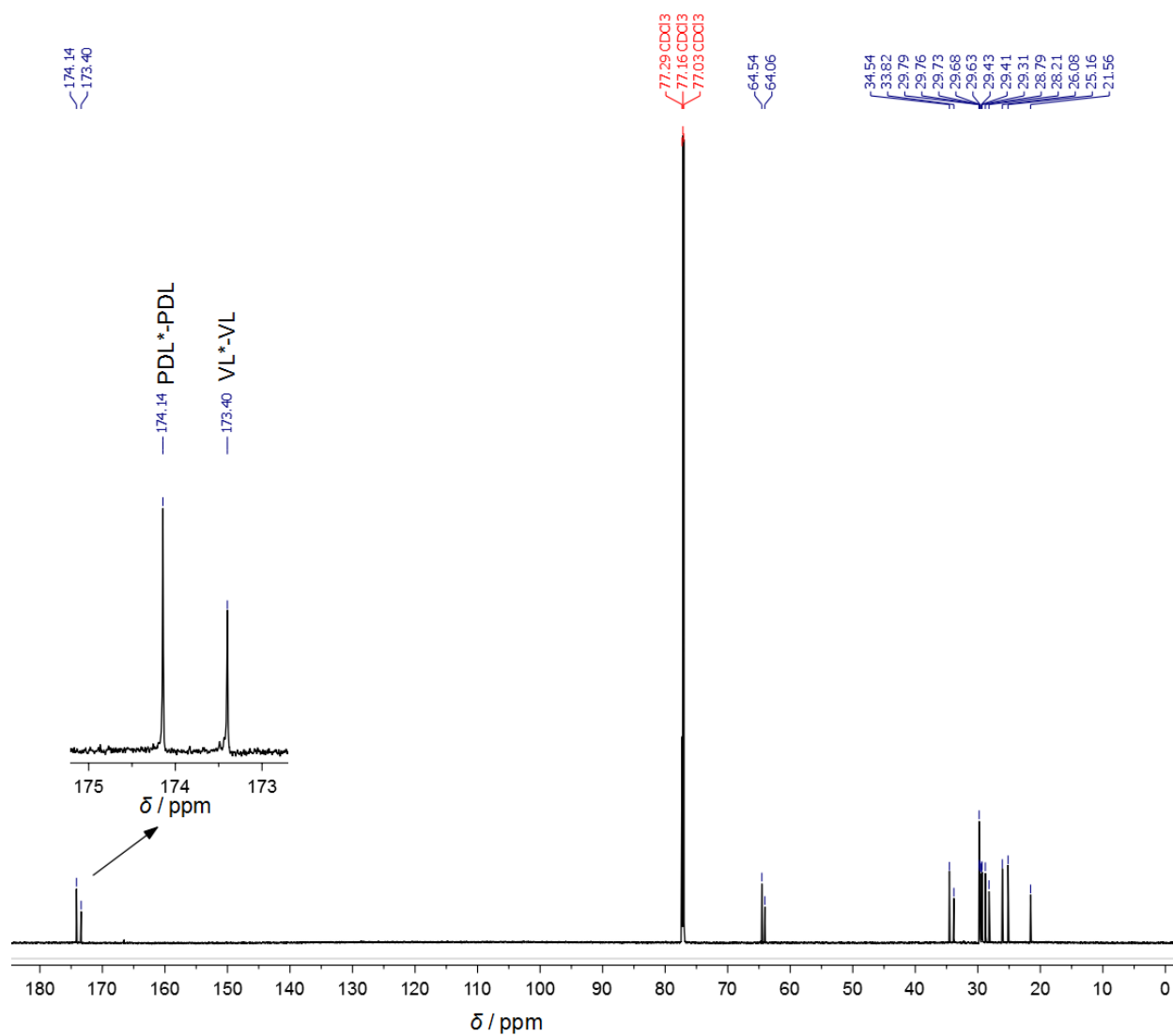


**Figure S10** 950 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PDDL-*b*-PVL (entry 6, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt).



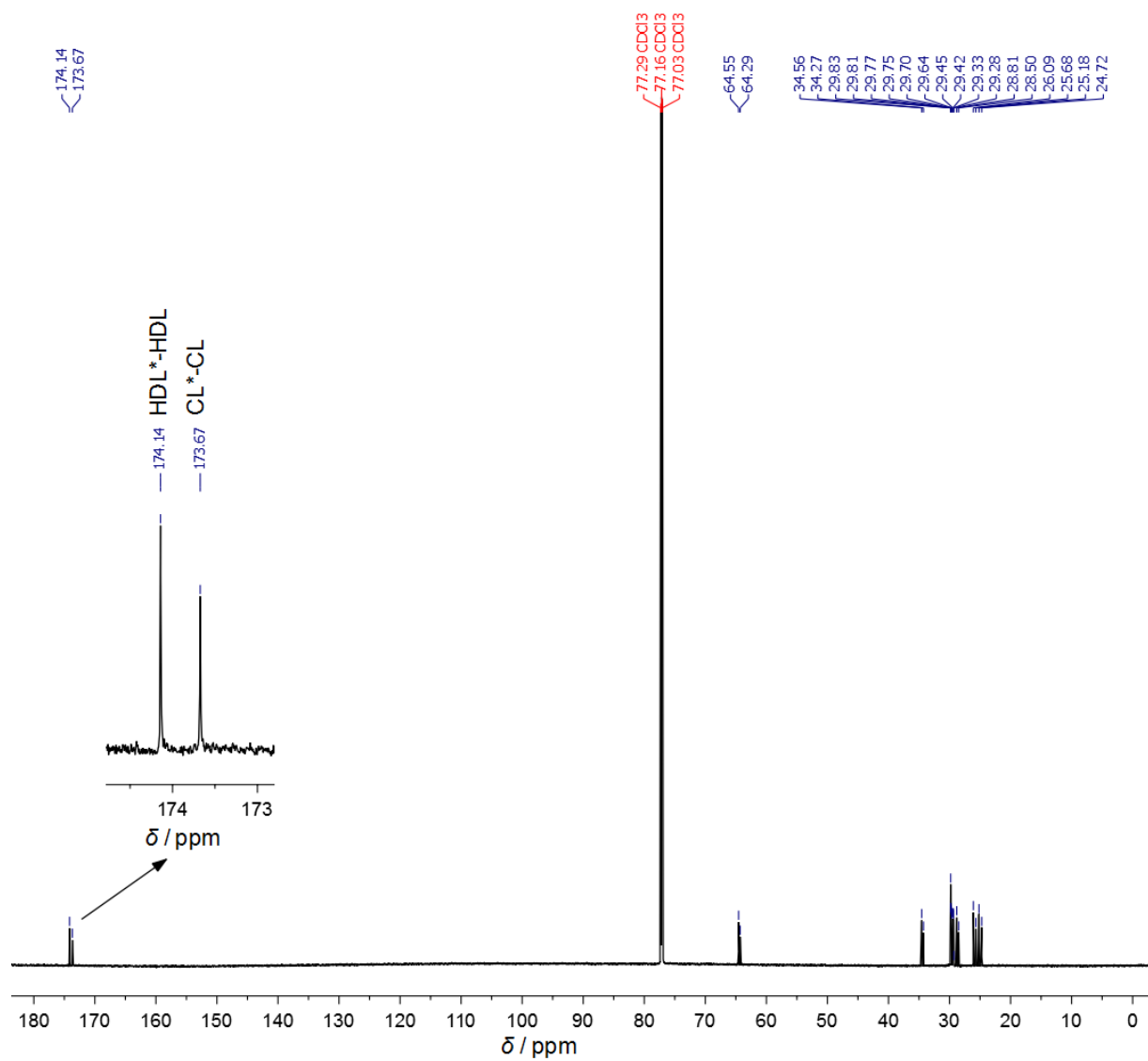
**Figure S11.** 950 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of PPDL<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PCL<sub>400</sub> (entry 7, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt)



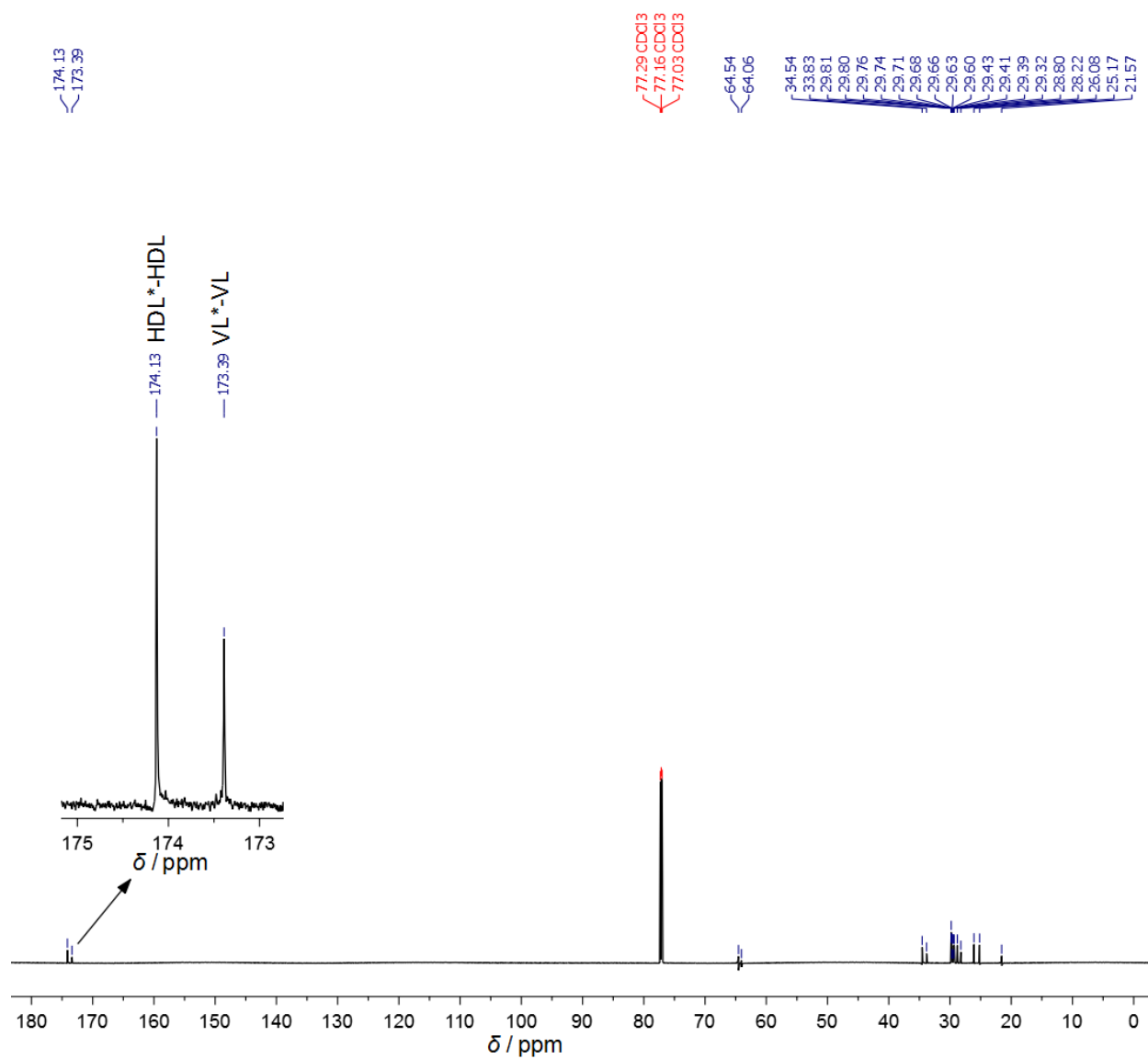


**Figure S13.** 239 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of PPDL-*b*-PVL (entry 2, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt).

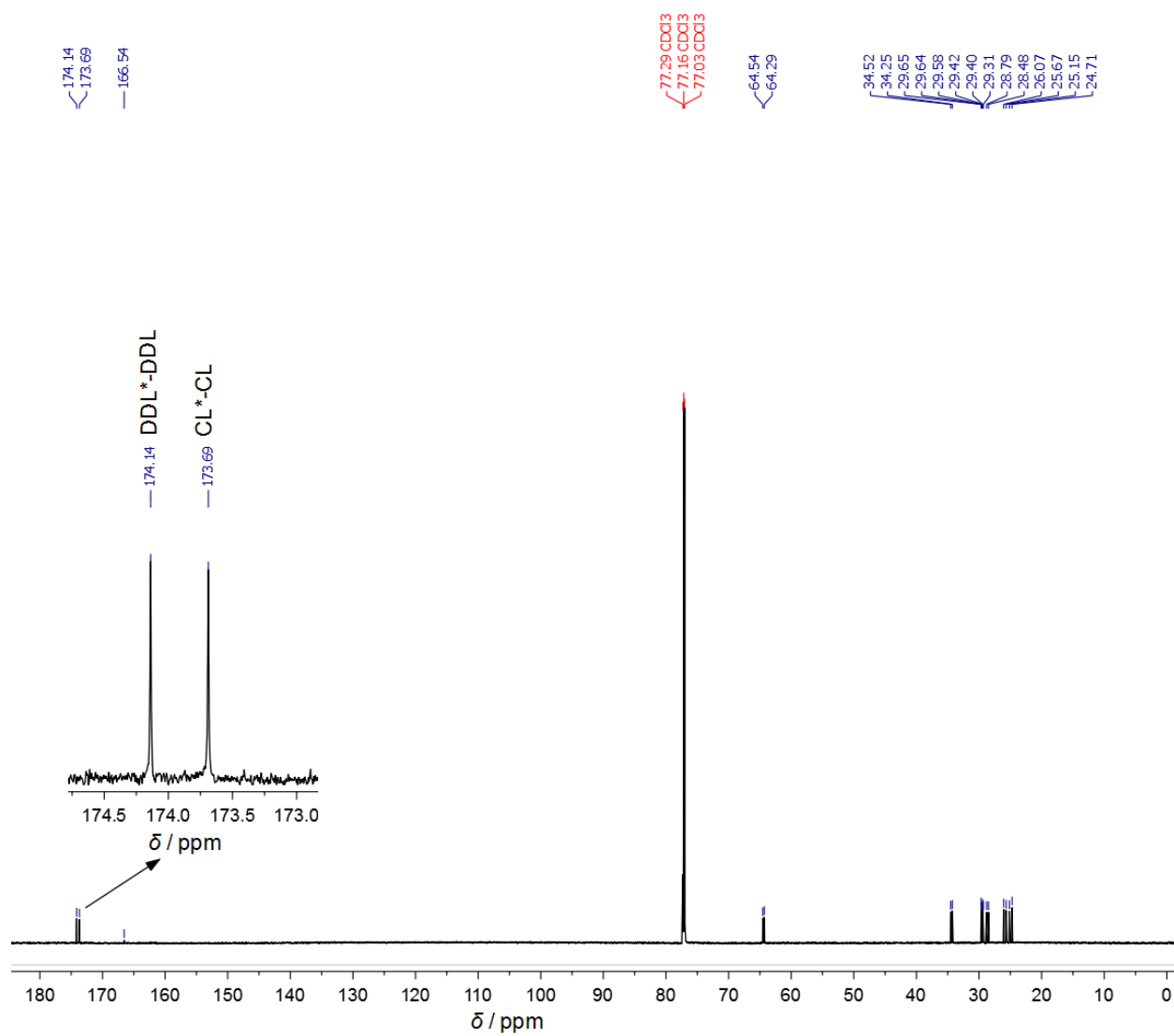




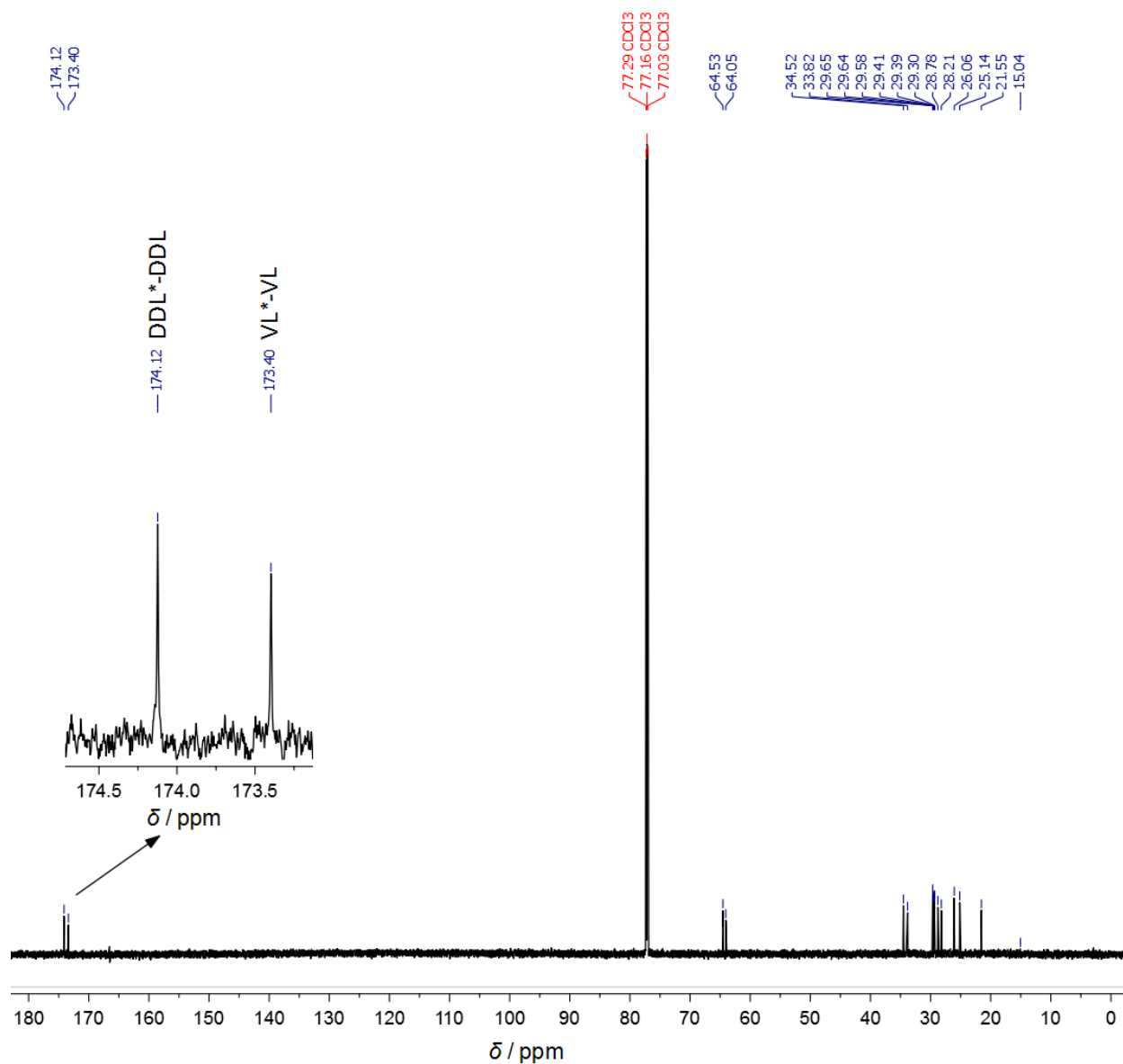
**Figure S14.** 239 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of PHDL-*b*-PCL (entry 3, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt)



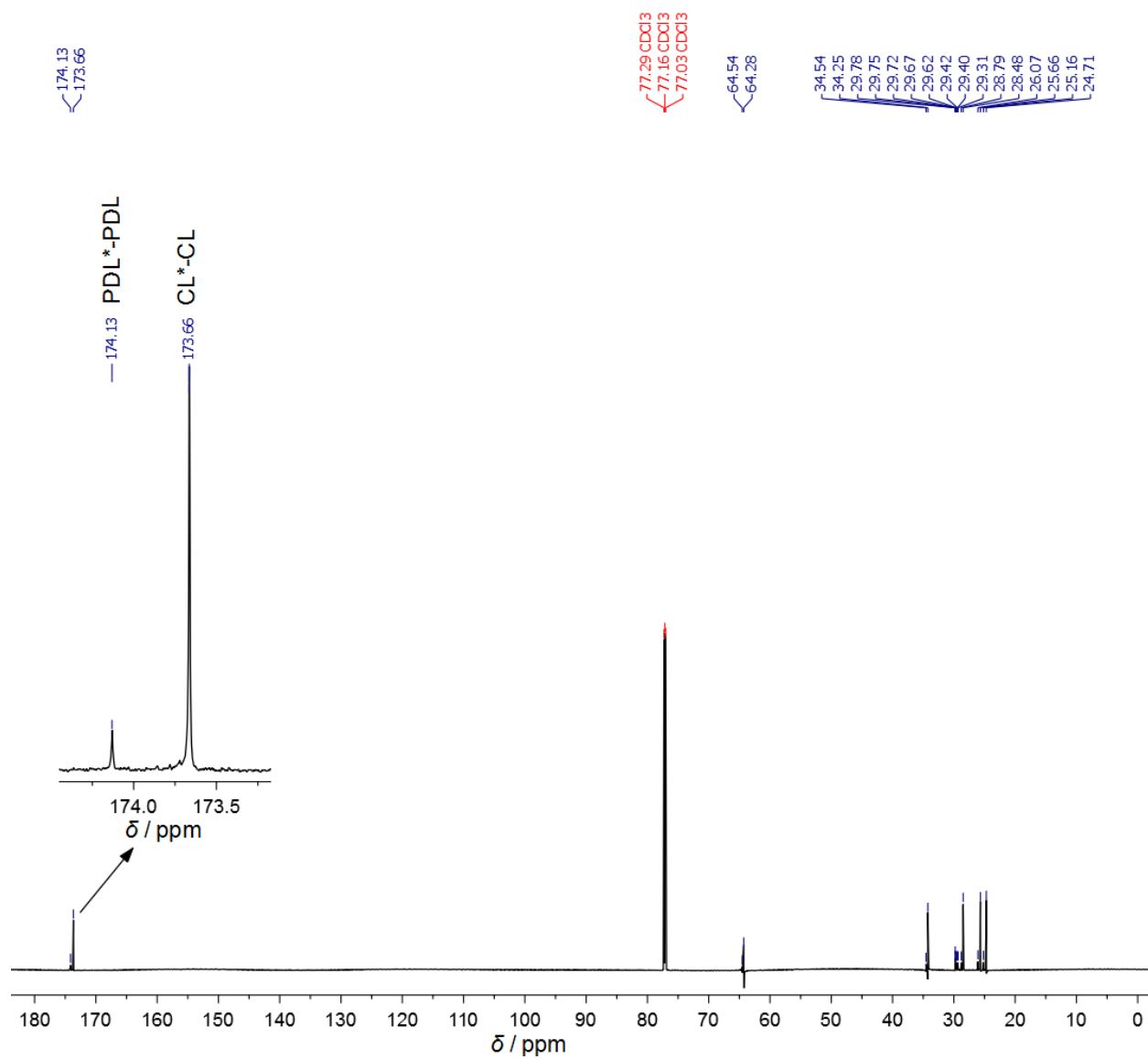
**Figure S15.** 239 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of PHDL-*b*-PVL (entry 4, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt)



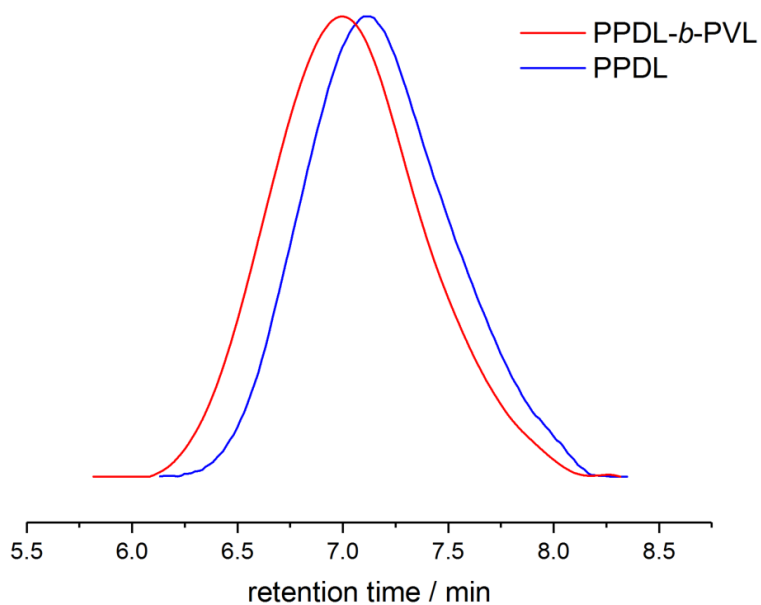
**Figure S16.** 239 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of PDDL-*b*-PCL (entry 5, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt)



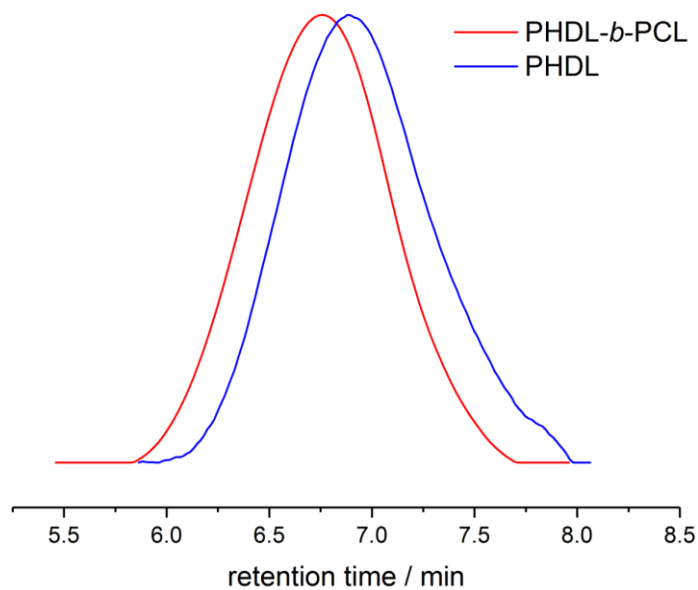
**Figure S17.** 239 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of PDDL-*b*-PVL (entry 6, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , rt)



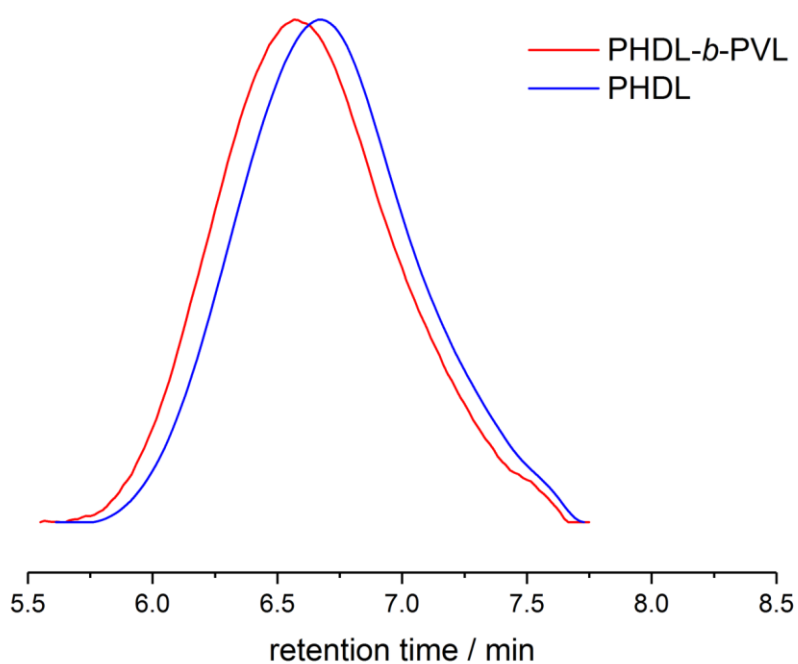
**Figure S18.** 239 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of PPDL<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PCL<sub>400</sub> (entry 7, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, rt)



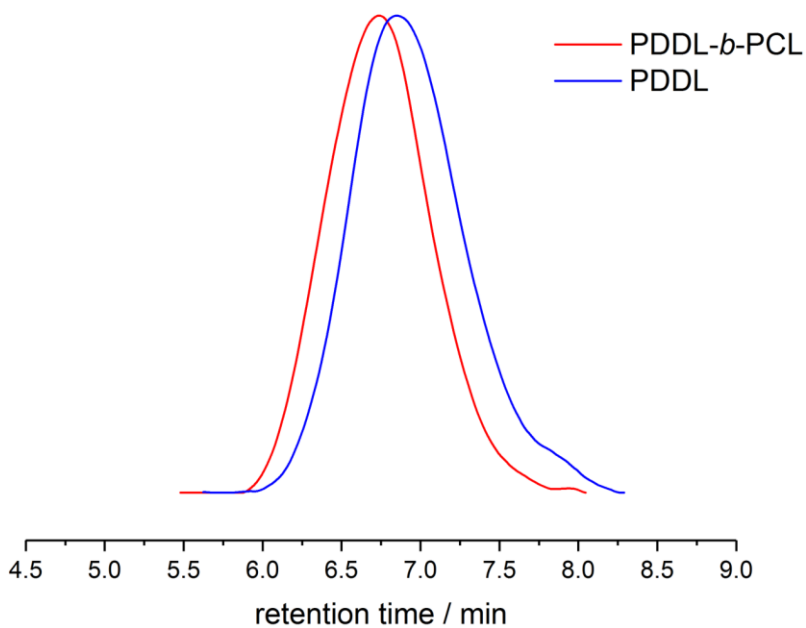
**Figure S19.** HT-GPC traces of PPDL (blue) macroinitiator and PPDL-*b*-PVL (red, entry 2, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy (TCB, 150 °C, PS standards).



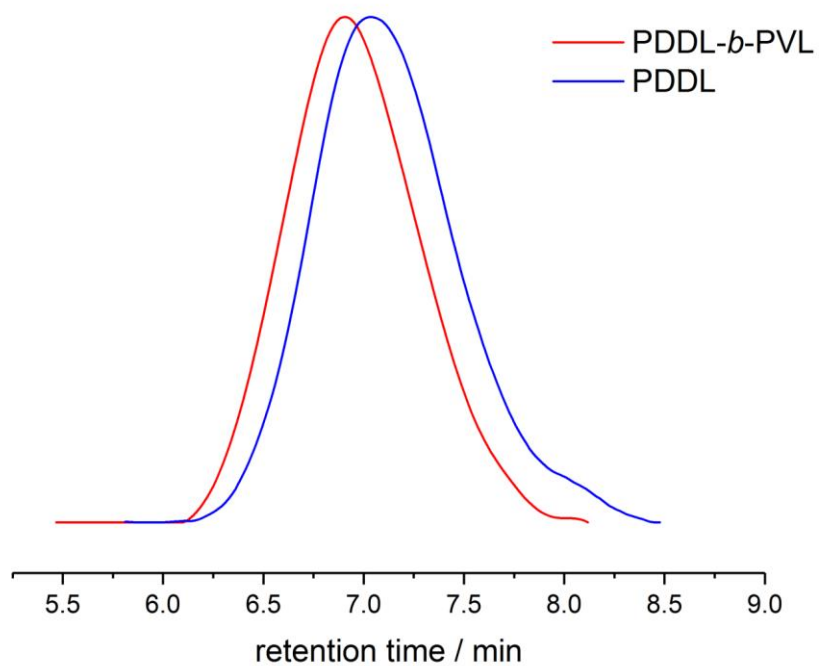
**Figure S20.** HT-GPC traces of PHDL (blue) macroinitiator and PHDL-*b*-PCL (red, entry 3, Table 2) prepared by catalyst switch-strategy (TCB, 150 °C, PS standards).



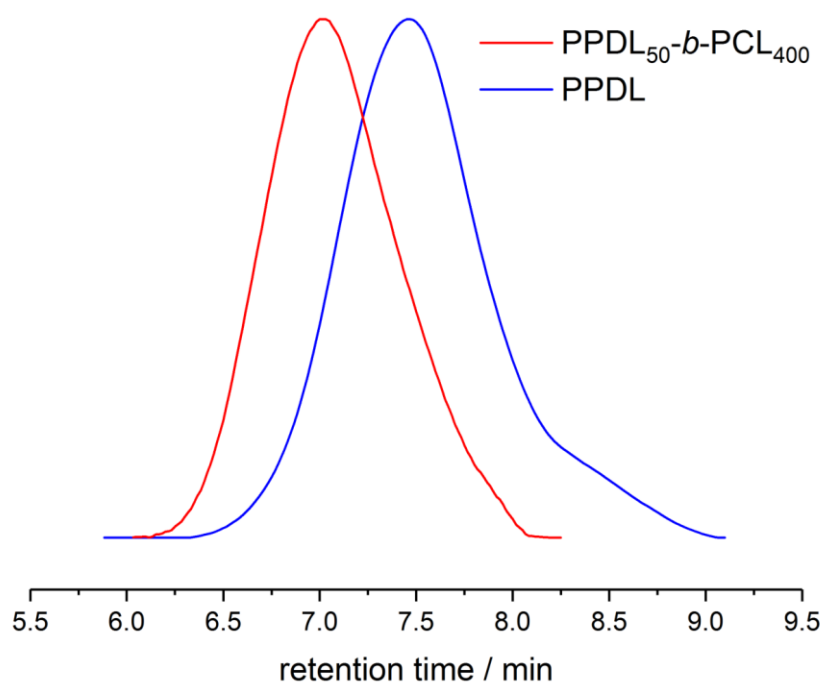
**Figure S21.** HT-GPC traces of PHDL (blue) macroinitiator and PHDL-*b*-PVL (red, entry 4, Table 2) prepared by catalyst switch-strategy (TCB, 150 °C, PS standards).



**Figure S22.** HT-GPC traces of PDDL (blue) macroinitiator and PDDL-*b*-PCL (red, entry 5, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy (TCB, 150 °C, PS standards).



**Figure S23.** HT-GPC traces of PDDL (blue) macroinitiator and PDDL-*b*-PVL (red, entry 6, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy (TCB, 150 °C, PS standards).



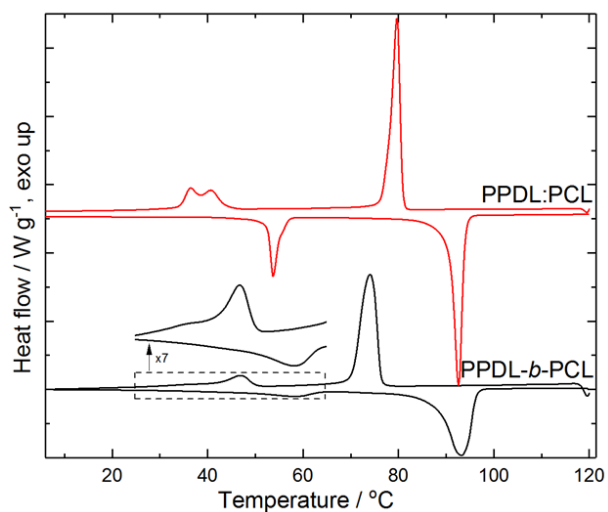
**Figure S24.** HT-GPC traces of PPDL (blue) macroinitiator and PPDL<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PCL<sub>400</sub> (red, entry 7, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy (TCB, 150 °C, PS standards).



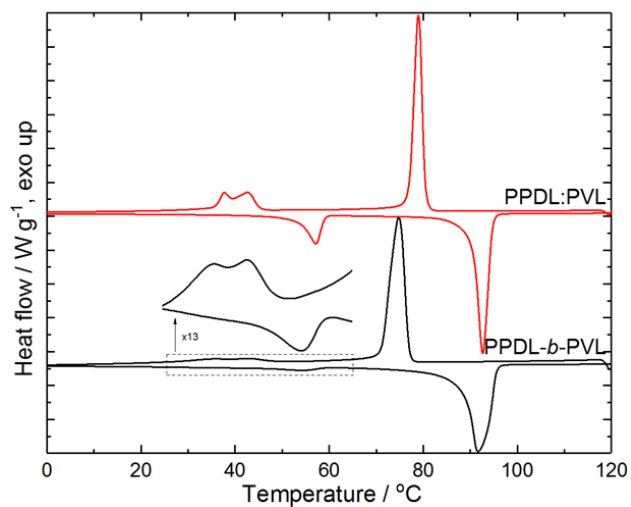
**Table S1.** Properties of PMLs:PSLs blends

| entry | sample                                 | mass (mg) |     | PSL (°C) |         | PML (°C) |         | $\Delta H_m^a$ (J g <sup>-1</sup> ) |       |
|-------|--|-----------|-----|----------|---------|----------|---------|-------------------------------------|-------|
|       |  | PSL       | PML | $T_c^a$  | $T_m^a$ | $T_c^a$  | $T_m^a$ | PSL                                 | PML   |
| 1     | PPDL:PCL                               | 1.2       | 2.8 | 38.5     | 53.7    | 79.6     | 92.6    | -23.8                               | -78.6 |
| 2     | PPDL:PVL                               | 1.0       | 3.0 | 39.5     | 57.2    | 78.9     | 92.7    | -20.3                               | -80.4 |
| 3     | PHDL:PCL                               | 1.0       | 3.0 | 43.9     | 55.7    | 76.2     | 91.6    | -16.8                               | -86.2 |
| 4     | PHDL:PVL                               | 0.8       | 3.2 | 44.7     | 58.0    | 76.3     | 90.8    | -12.9                               | -89.6 |
| 5     | PDDL:PCL                               | 1.4       | 2.6 | 36.5     | 53.6    | 67.7     | 83.4    | -28.8                               | -65.9 |
| 6     | PDDL:PVL                               | 0.8       | 3.2 | 38.3     | 55.6    | 67.0     | 83.3    | -16.5                               | -79.8 |
| 7     | PPDL <sub>50</sub> :PCL <sub>400</sub> | 3.2       | 0.8 | 37.2     | 53.8    | 80.5     | 93.0    | -68.4                               | -17.3 |

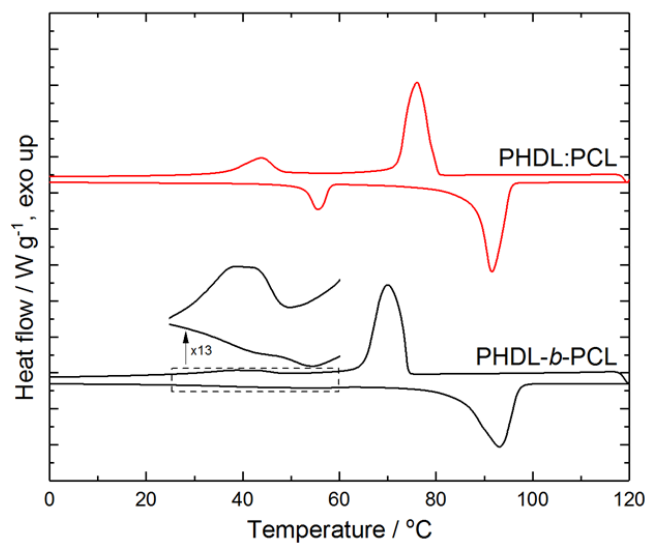
<sup>a</sup>Measured by DSC under air with heating rate 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>.



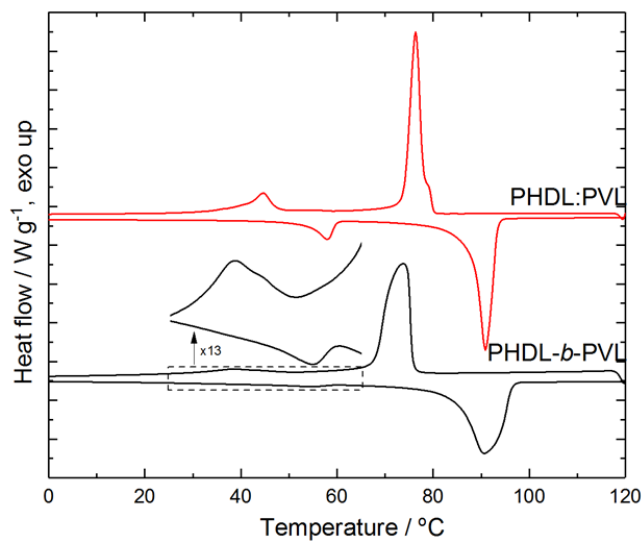
**Figure S25.** DSC traces of PPDL-*b*-PCL (black, entry 1, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy and PPDL: PCL blend (red) (under air, 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>).



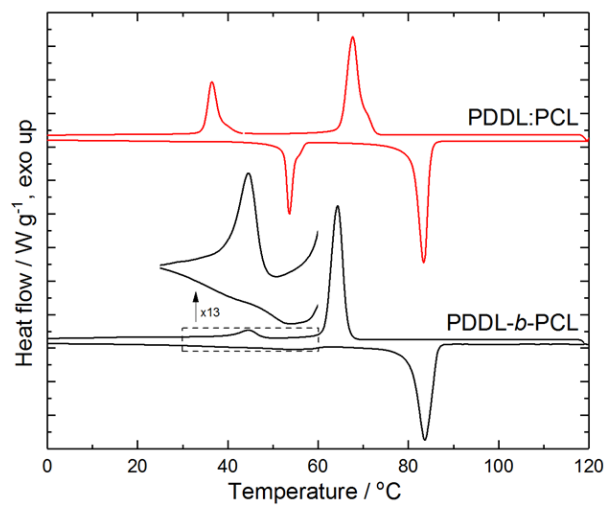
**Figure S26.** DSC traces of PPDL-*b*-PVL (black, entry 2, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy and PPDL: PVL blend (red) (under air, 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>).



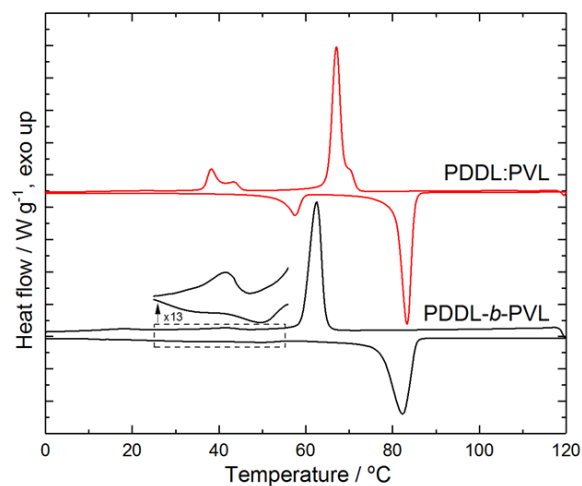
**Figure S27.** DSC traces of PHDL-*b*-PCL (black, entry 3, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy and PHDL: PCL blend (red) (under air, 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>).



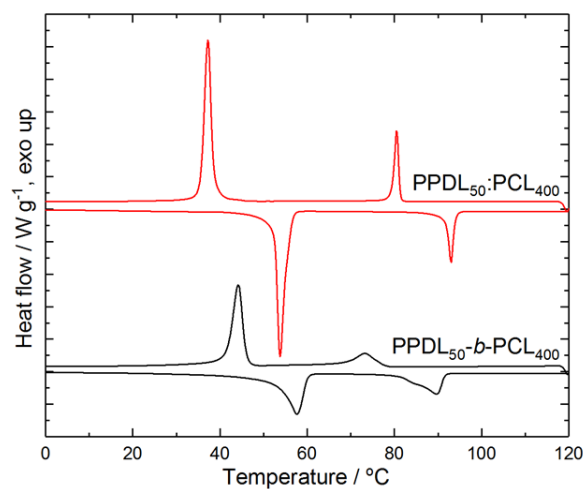
**Figure S28.** DSC traces of PHDL-*b*-PVL (black, entry 4, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy and PHDL: PVL blend (red) (under air, 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>).



**Figure S29.** DSC traces of PDDL-*b*-PCL (black, entry 5, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy and PDDL: PCL blend (red) (under air, 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>).



**Figure S30.** DSC traces of PDDL-*b*-PVL (black, entry 6, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy and PDDL: PVL blend (red) (under air, 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>).



**Figure S31.** DSC traces of PPDL<sub>50</sub>-*b*-PCL<sub>400</sub> (black, entry 7, Table 2) prepared by catalyst-switch strategy and PPDL<sub>50</sub>:PCL<sub>400</sub> blend (red) (under air, 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>).

**Table S2.** Peaks position of PMLs and PSLs in XRD spectra

| run | sample  | Peak 1 <sup>a</sup> ( $2\theta$ ) | Peak 2 <sup>a</sup> ( $2\theta$ ) |
|-----|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1   | PPDL- <i>b</i> -PCL                               | 21.6                              | 24.0                              |
| 2   | PPDL- <i>b</i> -PVL                               | 21.6                              | 24.0                              |
| 3   | PHDL- <i>b</i> -PCL                               | 21.5                              | 23.9                              |
| 4   | PHDL- <i>b</i> -PVL                               | 21.6                              | 24.0                              |
| 5   | PDDL- <i>b</i> -PCL                               | 21.5                              | 24.0                              |
| 6   | PDDL- <i>b</i> -PVL                               | 21.6                              | 24.0                              |
| 7   | PPDL <sub>30</sub> - <i>b</i> -PCL <sub>200</sub> | 21.5                              | 23.8                              |
| 8   | PCL   | 21.5                              | 23.7                              |
|     |   | 22.1                              |                                   |
| 9   | PVL   | 21.7                              | 24.4                              |
| 10  | PPDL  | 21.6                              | 24.0                              |
| 11  | PHDL  | 21.5                              | 23.9                              |
| 12  | PDDL  | 21.5                              | 23.9                              |

<sup>a</sup>Determined by XRD under ambient condition.